According to information available with the Government, one doctor was arrested in Karnataka and later on released on bail. Two doctors have been de-registered by Karnataka Medical Council.

(c) The Transplantation of Human Organs Act, 1994 has since been enforced with effect from 4-2-1995 in the States of Goa, Himachal Pradesh and Maharashtra and all the Union Territories. All other State Governments have been requested to adopt this Act or to enact their own legislation.

(d) Suitable provisions have been made in the Act in his regard. Appointment of Appropriate Authority and Authorisation Committees has already been done for Union Territories & NCT of Delhi.

(e) Does not arise.

Better Pill for workers in Drug Sector

667. SHRI SOM PAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item captioned "it's bitter pill for workers in drug sector" published in the "Indian Express" dated the 20th February, 1995;

(b) if so, whether Government share the perception of the participants reported therein;

(c) what steps are being contemplated to safeguard the health of drug workers; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI PABAN SINGH GHATOWAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Adequate measures have been made in the provisions of the Drugs & Cosmetics Rules, 1945 to safeguard the workers in Drug Industry against hazards including chemical hazards. The workers are required to be provided with clean uniforms, masks, head-gears and gloves besides facilities for washing. Provision for disposal of wastes and other residues which are hazardous to health is one of the requirements for grant of licence for manufacture of bulk drugs.

(d) Does not arise.

Findings of the study on use of Shampoo

668. SHRI SOM PAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news report published in the 'Economic Times' dated the 11th January, 1995 under the caption "Shampoo may cause cancer: Study";

(b) if so, whether Government would ascertain and evaluate the findings of the study;

(c) if so, what agency is to be entrusted with the job; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. SILVERA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Indian Council of Medical Research has evaluated the findings of the study.

(d) Question does not arise.

High HIV rate among housewives

669. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item that appeared in "Times of India", Mumbai edition dated the 12th December, 1994 under the caption "High HIV rate among housewives";

(b) whether it is a fact that the AIDS epidemic has now entered the phase III; and

(c) what measures Government propose to take in educating the housewives in metro and major metro cities?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. SILVERA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) It does appear from the availab'e surveillance date that HIV infection has started percikating from highrish behaviour groups to general population.

(c) There being no vaccine or treatment of HIV/AIDS in sight as of now, the thrust of the educational campaign under the National AIDS Control Programme is on creation of awareness about HIV/AIDS and influencing risk-behaviour among all the vulnerable sections, including housewives.

Human Organ Transplantation racket in the Country

670. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA:
SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Human Organ Transplantation racket is going on in the country and recently some startling cases have occurred;

(b) if so, the details of the Human Organs rackets, the methods applied for carrying out this racket and people involved in the same;

(c) whether the law passed by Parliament on Human Organ Transplantation is notified for implementation; if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the number of States which have ratified this Act?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. SILVERA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) As per information received from Government of Karnataka, based on complaints regarding illegal removal of kidneys from unsuspecting blood donors in Karnataka, two FIRs have been lodged on 21-1-95 and 29.1.95 respectively. One doctor was arrested in Karnataka and later on released on bail. Two other doctors have been de-registered by the Karnataka Medical Council.

(c) The Transplantation of Human Organs Act, 1994 and the Rules framed thereunder were brought into force on 4-2-95 which are applicable in the States of Himachal Pradesh, Maharashtra and Goa and all Union Territories.

(d) No other State has ratified the Act so far.

गरीब लोगों के लिए चिकित्सीय सुविधाओं और दवाइयों संबंधी योजना

671. **श्री रामजीलाल** : क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार प्रत्येक गरीब और बीमार आदमी को और दवाइयां प्रदान करने में सक्षम है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस संबंध में केंद्र सरकार की क्या योजना है तथा कितनी आमदनी वाले लोगों को स्वास्थ्य सेवा और दवाइयां उपलब्ध कराई जाती हैं ;

(ग) इस संबंध में क्या मानदंड हैं ;

(घ) क्या सरकार ने इस बात का सर्वेक्षण करवाया है कि राज्यों में बीमार व्यक्तियों को दवाइयां दी जाती हैं तथा कितने लोगों को दवाइयां मिलती हैं ; तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है ;

(ङ) इस बारे में केंद्र सरकार ने क्या निरीक्षण किया है ; और

(च) क्या प्रत्येक व्यक्ति को एक्स-रे करवाने और ऐसी ही दूसरी मुफ्त जांचें करवाने की सुविधा प्राप्त है; यदि हां, तो इसका ब्यौरा क्या है ?

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (डा० सी० सिल्वेरा) : (क) से (च) चूंकि "स्वास्थ्य" राज्य का एक विषय है, इसलिए निर्धन और बीमार